

**ALBERTA BEEF PRODUCERS  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2007  
AT THE SHERATON CAVALIER, MCKNIGHT EAST, CALGARY, ALBERTA**

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**PRESENT:** Erik Butters - *Chair*  
Rick Burton - *Vice-Chair*  
Kelly Olson - *Finance Chair*  
Gerald Maser - *Zone 1*  
Brian Edge - *Zone 3*  
Frank Murphy - *Zone 4*  
Doug Sawyer - *Zone 5*  
Greg Bowie - *Zone 6*  
Roy Eckert - *Zone 6*  
Harvey Hagman - *Zone 7*  
Gordon Graves - *Zone 8*  
Darcy Eddleston - *Zone 8*  
Donna Noullett - *Zone 9*  
Stuart Thiessen - *CFC*  
Chuck MacLean - *CFC*  
Tony Saretsky - *CIC*

**STAFF:** Rich Smith - *General Manager*  
Reynold Bergen - *A H&W Manager*  
Barb Sweetland - *Promo Manager*  
Katelyn Laverdure - *Comm Coor'd*  
Laura Procnier - *Controller*  
Adrienne Waller - *Counsel*  
Rosanne Allen - *Exec Assistant*

**GUESTS:** Ernie Israelson - *Zone 3*  
Millie Boake - *Zone 8*  
Shelley Morrison - *Zone 9*  
Les - *Town & Country*

**ABSENT** Brent Carey - *Zone 2*  
Dave Solverson - *CFC*  
Darryl Carlson - *CIC*

Chairman Butters called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

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Motion by Sawyer/Burton:

**“That the Agenda be adopted as presented.”**

Carried.

**2. Appointment of Ballot Counters**

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Motion by Thiessen/Eddleston:

**“That Adrienne Waller and Laura Procnier be appointed as ballot counters.”**

Carried.

**3. Items for Decision**

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A. Election of Committee Chairmen

(a) Beef Promotion

The Nomination Committee nominated Roy Eckert.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Graves/Burton:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Roy Eckert was declared Promotion Chairman.

(b) Government Affairs

The Nomination Committee nominated Darcy Eddleston.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Sawyer/Olson:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Darcy Eddleston was declared Government Affairs Chairman.

(c) Public Affairs

The Nomination Committee nominated Doug Sawyer.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Bowie/Edge:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Doug Sawyer was declared Public Affairs Chairman.

d) Technical

The Nomination Committee nominated Brian Edge and Gordon Graves.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Maser/MacLean:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Brian Edge was declared Technical Committee Chairman.

(e) Cattle Feeder Council

The Nomination Committee nominated Stuart Thiessen as interim chair.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by MacLean/Murphy:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Stuart Thiessen was declared interim Cattle Feeder Council Chairman.

(f) Cattle Industry Council

The Nomination Committee nominated Tony Saretsky.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Bowie/Eckert:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Tony Saretsky was declared Cattle Industry Council Chairman.

(g) Producer Liaison

The Nomination Committee nominated Gerald Maser.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Noullett/Olson:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Gerald Maser was declared Producer Liaison Chairman

B. Tier 1 Selections

(a) CBEF Board Member

The Nomination Committee nominated Chuck MacLean and Dave Solverson.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Bowie/Eddleston:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Chuck MacLean was declared Canada Beef Export Federation Executive Member.

(b) CCIA Board Member

The Nomination Committee nominated Darcy Eddleston.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Graves/Maser:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Darcy Eddleston was declared Canadian Cattle Identification Agency Board representative.

(c) ABP Board Member to Alberta Beef Quality Starts Here (ABQSH)

The Nomination Committee nominated Millie Boake and Frank Murphy.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Noullett/Sawyer:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Millie Boake was declared Alberta Beef Quality Starts Here Board representative.

(d) ABP Board Member to Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance (CAFTA)

The Nomination Committee nominated Travis Toews.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Murphy/Burton:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Travis Toews was declared the ABP Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance representative.

(e) ABP Board Member to Intensive Livestock Working Group (ILWG)

The Nomination Committee nominated Stuart Thiessen.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Maser/Eddleston:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Stuart Thiessen was declared the ABP Board representative to Intensive Livestock Working Group.

(f) ABP Board Member to CFC

The Nomination Committee nominated Greg Bowie.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Graves/Sawyer:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Greg Bowie was declared the ABP Board Member to Cattle Feeder Council.

(g) ABP Board Member to CIC

The Nomination Committee nominated Brent Carey.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by MacLean/Olson:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Brent Carey was declared the ABP Board Member to Cattle Industry Council.

(h) ABP Alternate Member to Livestock Patron's Claim Tribunal

The Nomination Committee nominated Ernie Israelson.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Graves/Bowie:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Ernie Israelson was declared the alternate ABP Board appointee to Livestock Patron's Claim Tribunal.

(i) International Livestock Congress (ILC):

The Nomination Committee nominated Greg Bowie.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Sawyer/Maser:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Greg Bowie was declared the ABP Board appointee to the International Livestock Congress.

(j) Beef Cattle Research Council (BCRC):

The Nomination Committee nominated Harvey Hagman.

Nominations were called for three times.

Motion by Olson/Edge:

**“That nominations cease.”**

Carried.

Harvey Hagman was declared the ABP Board Member to Beef Cattle Research Council.

(k) National VBP-QSH Management Group:

Appointment was postponed to the January 2008 Board meeting since the current representative would be sitting until March 30<sup>th</sup>.

(l) Canadian Beef Cattle Research, Market Development, and Promotion Agency (National Agency):

Appointment was postponed to the January 2008 Board meeting since the current representative would be sitting until March 30<sup>th</sup>.

C. Banking Resolution

Motion by Thiessen/MacLean:

**“That the signing officers for the Alberta Beef Producers bank account at the Royal Bank of Canada be:**

**Vice Chairman - Rick Burton  
Finance Chairman - Kelly Olson  
General Manager - Rich Smith  
Controller - Laura Procnier  
Corporate Counsel - Adrienne Waller**

**All cheques require two signatures. For cheques of \$20,000 or more, one signature must be the Vice-Chairman or Finance Chairman.”**

Carried.

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**4. In Camera Session**

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**5. Items for Discussion**

(a) National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) Conference:

Butters informed the Board for their information about the conference in Reno in February.

(b) 2008 Board meetings (confirm every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month):

Butters asked the Board if they were comfortable with the Board meetings staying on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday. Board agreed.

**6. General Information**

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- (a) Resolutions Tables
- (b) Beef Supply at a Glance

**7. Next Meeting Dates**

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- (a) Board Orientation – Wednesday, January 16, 2008, ABP Board Room, Calgary, Alberta
- (b) Board Meeting – Thursday, January 17, 2008, ABP Board Room, Calgary, Alberta
- (c) Board Meeting – Wednesday February 20, 2008, Capri Hotel, Red Deer, Alberta

**10. Adjournment**

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The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Thiessen at 1:40 p.m.

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CHAIRMAN

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GENERAL MANAGER